

# Worcester Supplementary Regulations

August 16, 1990	Election Rules	Any active, inactive or retired member may qualify as a candidate by filing with the retirement board nomination papers containing the signatures and address of at least fifty (50) members of the Retirement System. Regulation in effect for the 1990 Retirement Board Election only.
March 29, 1993	Membership	All part-time, provisional, temporary or intermittent employees who are regularly scheduled to work twenty (20) or more hours per week are required to become members of the Worcester Retirement System and to make weekly contributions to the system pursuant to G.L. c. 32, §22 (1)(b). Those employees who are not regularly scheduled to work at least twenty (20) hours per week will not be allowed membership in the Worcester Retirement System.
February 17, 1998	Recovery of Earnings	Recovery of earnings in excess of limitations set forth in M.G.L. c. 32, s. 91A. Disabled members of the Worcester Retirement System whose calendar year earnings exceed an amount which when added to the member's retirement allowance is greater than the amount of regular compensation which would have been payable to such member if such member had continued in service in the grade held by him at the time he was retired plus the sum of five thousand dollars, must refund to the Worcester Retirement System the amount of said overearnings in either a lump-sum or, in the alternative, if the member can demonstrate that a lump-sum payment would result in financial hardship, a monthly payment schedule of not more than six months, provided the member amply demonstrates financial hardship to the Board's satisfaction.
July 27, 1998	Payments	Effective September 1, 1998, all retirement payments made by the Worcester Retirement System shall be made by electronic funds transfer. This will be a direct deposit system and shall apply to all amounts payable to the Worcester Retirement Systems members and beneficiaries. <b>(AMENDED FEBRUARY 22, 1999).</b>
February 22, 1999	Payments	Effective September 1, 1998 all retirement payments made by the Worcester Retirement System [may] be made by electronic funds transfer. This will be a direct deposit system and [may] apply to all amounts payable to Worcester Retirement Systems members and beneficiaries. This provision is not mandatory for any member or beneficiary of the Worcester Retirement System. The Worcester Retirement Boards will provide electric fund transfer notices to retirees when they first enroll in the program; any time there is a change in their monthly amount and at year-end (12/31).

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March 6, 2000	Buy back	Any member in service authorized by law to purchase prior creditable service may purchase such creditable service by authorizing a payroll deduction of not less than \$20.00 per week for a period not to exceed five (5) years. Upon completion of payments, the member will be credited with the appropriate prior creditable service.
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